

A large, mature tree with a thick trunk and extensive, exposed roots dominates the foreground. The roots are gnarled and spread out across a dirt embankment. In the background, a brick building with a gabled roof and a black metal railing is visible. The scene is surrounded by lush green foliage.

South Carolina
Governor's School for the Arts
and Humanities

Celebration of Achievement 2012

Thursday • May 24, 2012 • 6:00 pm
Peace Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall • Greenville, South Carolina

The Class of 2012 has the fewest members of any Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities class in the past decade. With the downturn of the economy and the state budget reductions, our school faced difficult options. We chose to limit the entering class in the fall of 2010 to 75% of our typical number of new students. We had to adjust.

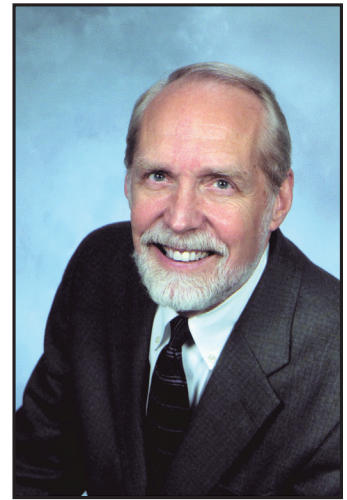
Adjust is the key word. We committed our resources to emphasizing direct contact with students. Just as the school adjusted to ensure the attainment of excellence, so did our students. This ability to alter one's life or studies in some small or large manner is an essential characteristic if a student is to succeed, in school or in life. As the program for this "Celebration" attests, this was a good decision. Working with a great faculty and staff, this year's seniors built an impressive record.

Artists adjust to the environment, to the realities of their lives, and to the visions driving them. They continually change or their art becomes stale. Actors change small details of their characters; musicians shape the notes with new nuance; dancers enliven the choreography with personal style; writers develop fresh insights, changing the

path of their stories; and visual artists experiment with new colors and materials. With adjustment comes the potential for positive growth and renewed creativity.

Institutions and artists must adjust as they grow and mature or they will wither. The talented Class of 2012 helped our school change as they explored their talent and realized their potential, and I believe all of us have been enhanced by this experience.

To our seniors: On behalf of my colleagues, I offer my congratulations on your success and thank you for sharing your time with us. We are proud of you! We hope you will remember your days on this campus with fondness and pride. Remember, adjust, your last artistic work is really just the beginning.



Dr. Bruce R. Halverson
President

adjustment & achievement

It has become a Governor's School tradition to begin our graduation festivities with a Celebration of Achievement program that gathers students, families, friends, faculty, and staff. The Class of 2012 has much to celebrate, and we welcome this opportunity to celebrate with them and to show our pride in all that they have accomplished.

It seems fitting that we allow the pages of this program to tell the stories of individual achievement, for there is much more to the Governor's School experience for these talented soon-to-be graduates than this program can possibly list. It is for this reason that the evening's remarks from faculty focus primarily upon the collective experiences of our seniors. After all, we are a community—a community of artists dedicated to continued artistic, intellectual, and personal growth.

Class of 2012, very soon you will be joining the growing ranks of Governor's School alumni. As you enter this new stage and prepare to move on to new places and new challenges, please

remember that you will forever be a part of our Governor's School community. Thank you for sharing your talents and dreams with us. We look forward to continuing to celebrate your achievements as alumni of our community in the many years to come.

On behalf of all of my Governor's School colleagues, we extend best wishes on this special occasion and always!



Julie Allen
Dean

celebrationprogram

Suite for Solo Violoncello, BWV 1007

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Prelude

Robert O'Brien, cello

Welcome

Bruce R. Halverson, President

Presentation of Senior Class Gift

Grace Ann Roberts, Senior Class President
Michael Zuch, Senior Class Vice President

Reflections, Recognitions and Awards

The Academic Department's Got the Moves Like Jagger

Rusty Godfrey

Reflections from the Arts Departments and Presentation of Cords

Creative Writing
Dance
Drama
Music
Visual Arts

Scott Gould
Stanislav Issaev
Daniel Murray
David Hamilton
Joseph Thompson

Remarks

Julie Allen
Dean and Vice President of Arts and Academics

Feux d'artifice (Fireworks)

Claude Debussy
(1862-1918)

Stephen Taylor, piano

Attention Graduates and Parents:

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Enjoy!

Destina

Caroline Eleanor Absher, Pratt Institute
Jessica Megan Angus, College of Charleston
Kedrick Terrell Armstrong, Wheaton College
Jessie Caitlyn Barnett, Furman University
Maya Colette Bradford, Emory University
Glennetta Burrell, North Carolina State University
Ashley Nicole Cannone, Tri-County Tech
Rachel Eloise Hitchmough Chalmers, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Lauren Elizabeth Craine, University of Georgia
Jazmine Nikkol Daniel, University of
North Carolina-Greensboro
Hannah Grace Dara, Oberlin Conservatory
Daniel Davila, Jr., Montclair State University
Elizabeth Reid Davis, Virginia Tech
Norman Lee Davis, Jr., University of Georgia
Sasha Maya Ada Davis, Southern Methodist University
Vance Ashby Deatherage, Rochester Institute
of Technology
Kotone Deguchi, Virginia Commonwealth University
Haley Allison Durham, Winthrop University
Suzanna Margaret Edwards, North Greenville University
Morgan Whitney Esarey, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Blakely Sherard Francis, Anderson University
Alisha Marguerite Gaillard, Moore College of Art
and Design
Anna Alise Garrett, Furman University
Anna Catherine George, University of South Carolina,
Lieber College
Sarah Boyce Gladden, DePaul University
Kamry Sadra-Briana Goodwin, Duke University
Sarah McCain Grant, North Carolina State University
Adele Logan Helmers, Rhode Island School of Design
Jonathan Rashaun Jackson, University of the Arts
Quitarius Rashaad Jackson, University of North
Carolina School of the Arts



Charis Denise Jackson-Barrios, Cooper Union
Lena Celeste Jake, Arcadia University
Jasminn Leah Johnson, The Juilliard School
Wonza Jariandre Johnson, University of Michigan
Stephen Rhett Jones, Jr., The Eastman School of Music
Madeleine Mae Kent, Clemson University
Lillian Riley Noël Ketcham, Winthrop University
Brian Wayne Kinzie, University of South Carolina
Aubrey Grace Knight, Wofford College
Kody Elizabeth Kratzer, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Anne Elizabeth Kunkle, The Eastman School of Music
Rachel Reneé Lambert, Anderson University
Caroline Marie Lancaster, Furman University
Anna Rose Lauria, Barnard College
Siovean Miranda Lehner, Ringling College of
Art and Design
Caleb Johnson Lewis, Georgetown University
Leah Paige Lierz, University of South Carolina,
Honors College

ations...



of 2012

Hannah Elizabeth Long, University of Mississippi
 Daniel Adam Maltz, University of Adelaide,
 South Australia
 Jessica Seville Mangum, University of
 South Carolina-Beaufort
 Candace Roxanne Martin,
 Marymount-Manhattan College
 Alexander Kyle Mason, Winthrop University
 Lexi Jade Mathis, Clemson University
 Curtiss Allen Melton II, University of the Arts
 Rebecca Rose Grosser Merriman, Rochester
 Institute of Technology
 Grayson Elizabeth Mills, Boston Conservatory
 Josephine Edith Moe, East Carolina University
 Da'Shawn Kahili Mosley, University of Chicago
 Kristen Michele Murdaugh, Furman University
 Julia Fayette Murray, Clemson University
 Emily Bacot Nason, Kenyon College
 Grace Kate Odell, Furman University
 Lauren Olivia Osborne, Fordham University

Matthew Trevor Osborne, Coker College
 Aaron Way Padgett, Winthrop University
 Mary Catherine Pflug, Rollins College
 Dorothy Quincy Pierce, Colgate University
 Anna Elaina Pittman, New York University
 Celeste Lynn Pompeii, University of South Carolina
 Derek Allen Priester, University of South Carolina
 Ryan Bradley Radtke, Clemson University
 Sarah Ruth Murphy Rhu, Williams College
 Nina Jasmine Rivers, Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet
 Grace Ann Roberts, University of South Carolina,
 Lieber College
 Brock Bennett Robinson, Sarah Lawrence College
 Sarah McCall Ruple, Winthrop University
 Daniel Carl Ruroede, Kansas City Art Institute
 Osman Kadeem Sabari III, University of South Carolina,
 Lieber College
 Aran Montare Savory, Vassar College
 Hannah Susan Schmucker, Winthrop University
 Virginia Taylor Seymour, University of Pennsylvania
 Emily Claire Spearman, Furman University
 Chanda Marie Staples, Brigham Young University-Idaho
 Lee Bridges Stevens, Amherst College
 Joseph Tan, College of Charleston
 Douglas Edward Temples, Jr., University of Tennessee
 Briana Delores Thompson, Oberlin College
 Kelly Tsao, Washington University-St. Louis
 Michael David Walker, Virginia Commonwealth University
 Adam Hunter Wells, Oberlin Conservatory
 Taryn Alyssa Wetherington, Charleston Southern University
 Danielle Paige Williams, Elon University
 Sophia Margarette Wilttrout, George Washington University
 Isaac Gabriel Young, Southern Methodist University
 Michael Thomas Zuch, Vanderbilt University

academics

U.S. Presidential Scholars in the Arts

Kamry Sadra-Briana Goodwin
Da'Shawn Kahili Mosley

National Merit Finalists 2012

Sarah Ruth Murray Rhu
Brock Bennett Robinson
Kelly Tsao

National Achievement Finalists 2012

Maya Colette Bradford
Kamry Sandra-Briana Goodwin

National Merit Semi-Finalists for 2013

Brian James Joye
Emily Amanda Knott

Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Program

Aubrey G. Knight
Leah Paige Lierz
Virginia Taylor Seymour

Outstanding Participant Referred to Colleges in the 2012 National Achievement Program

Briana Delores Thompson

College Board Scholars Awards AP Scholars with Honors

Kamry Sadra-Briana Goodwin
Madeleine Mae Kent
Caleb Johnson Lewis
Virginia Taylor Seymour
Lee Bridges Stevens
Michael Thomas Zuch

AP Scholars

Jessie Caitlyn Barnett
Sarah Marie Cooke
Hannah Grace Dara
Kotone Deguchi
Suzanna Margaret Edwards
Stephen Rhett Jones, Jr.
Brian Wayne Kinzie
Kody Allyson Kratzer
Anne Elizabeth Kunkle
Leah Paige Lierz
Kristen Michele Murdaugh
Sarah Ruth Murphy Rhu
Grace Ann Roberts
Brock Bennett Robinson

Perfect SAT Score of 800 in Critical Reading

Caleb Johnson Lewis, 12
Emily Claire Spearman, 12
Kelly Tsao, 12

Perfect SAT Score of 800 in Writing

Sarah Ruth Murphy Rhu, 12

Perfect PSAT Score of 800 in Critical Reading

Emily Amanda Knott, 11

Academic Achievement State Awards Scholars 2012

Kotone Deguchi
Anna Catherine George
Kamry Sadra-Briana Goodwin
Sarah McCain Grant
Lillian Riley Noël Ketcham
Brian Wayne Kinzie
Aubrey Grace Knight
Anna Rose Lauria
Caleb Johnson Lewis
Leah Paige Lierz
Lexi Jade Mathis
Kristen Michele Murdaugh
Grace Kate Odell
Mary Catherine Pflug
Dorothy Quincy Pierce
Sarah Ruth Murphy Rhu
Grace Ann Roberts
Brock Bennett Robinson
Aran Montare Savory
Virginia Taylor Seymour
Emily Claire Spearman
Kelly Tsao
Michael David Walker
Adam Hunter Wells
Sophia Margarette Wiltrout

Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Recipients 2012

Elizabeth Reid Davis
Kotone Deguchi
Suzanna Margaret Edwards
Anna Catherine George
Kamry Sadra-Briana Goodwin
Lillian Riley Noël
Brian Wayne Kinzie
Aubrey Grace Knight
Kody Allyson Kratzer
Anne Elizabeth Kunkle
Anna Rose Lauria
Caleb Johnson Lewis

Leah Paige Lierz
Daniel Adam Maltz
Kristen Michele Murdaugh
Grace Kate Odell
Mary Catherine Pflug
Sarah Ruth Murphy Rhu
Brock Bennett Robinson
Aran Montare Savory
Emily Claire Spearman
Lee Bridges Stevens
Kelly Tsao
Michael David Walker
Sophia Margarette Wiltrout

Junior Marshals 2012

Joseph Michael Herbst,
Head Marshal
Eleeza Mei Touringny,
Head Marshall
Hagan Marie Capnerhurst
Marissa Nicole Lauyans
Allison Rose Cooke
Olivia Rose Wilusz
Sarah Marie Cooke
Anna Kristyn Dyches
Emily Amanda Knott
Cina Leigh Noel

2011 United States Girls' National Representative

Kristen Michele Murdaugh

United States People to People Student Ambassador to Australia

Kristen Michelle Murdaugh

Palmetto Girls State Delegates Summer 2012

Hagan Marie Capnerhurst
Sarah Marie Cooke
Tiffany Amelia Farr
Caroline Grace Merritt

Palmetto Boys State Delegate Summer 2012

Jeffrey Hunter Burgess
Thomas Boyd Richardson

Bryn Mawr College President's Book Award

Tiffany Amelia Farr

Converse College Junior Fellows

Lydia Wallace Barrett
Hagan Maree Capnerhurst

Allison Rose Cooke
Elizabeth Charlene Cureton
Virginia Taylor Seymour
Phoebe Helen Vint

Chatman University

Selene Desirée Means

Furman University Scholars

Sarah Marie Cooke
Anthony Joseph DeSantis
Deidre Alston Dishman
Dalton Rayce Fowler

Lander University Junior Fellows

Amanda Rose Burth
Richard Louis Fiorillo, Jr.
Keelin Casey Sanz

Presbyterian College Fellows

Anna Kristyn Dykes
Joseph Michael Herbst
Emily Amanda Knott
Cina Leigh Noel
Eleeza Mei Tourigny
Olivia Rose Wilusz

Randolph College Book Award

Willie Lem Coleman III

Rutgers University Book Award

Alice Guerra Marcondes

Salem College Alumnae Book Award

Nandita Tatyana Harrison

Swarthmore College Book Award

Sarah Marie Cooke

Upstate University of South Carolina Junior Scholars

Julie Luisa Pacheco Cole
Kristina Nicole Osborne
Leigh Ellen Sabisch
Julie Rae Stewart

Wellesley College Book Award

Olivia Rose Wilusz

Wofford College Scholars

Hagan Maree Capnerhurst
Sarah Marie Cooke
Anna Kristyn Dykes
Joseph Michael Herbst
Emily Amanda Knott
Eleeza Mei Tourigny

2012 SC Bar Law-Related Educated Citizen of the Year

Virginia Taylor Seymour

National History Day

National Qualifiers:

Jordan Alexander Merritt Messer
Julia Kathryn Opusko
Sarah Michelle Schweitzer

State Qualifiers:

Megan Christine Branham
Lois Eloise Carlisle
Deidre Alston Dishman
Nandita Tatyana Harrison
Brandon Lee Hooven
Nandita Narendra Karambelkar
Dylan Ross Magruder
Selene Desirée Means
Jordan Alexander Merritt Messer
Mary Katherine Moore
Julia Kathryn Opusko
Sarah Michelle Schweitzer
Rachel Danielle Taylor
Abbey Marie Vidal

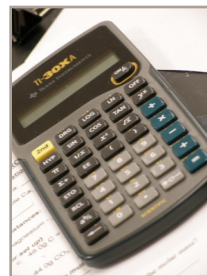
National Honor Society Seniors

Kedrick Terrell Armstrong
Jessie Caitlyn Barnett
Glennetta Burrell
Lauren Elizabeth Craine
Elizabeth Reid Davis
Vance Ashby Deatherage
Suzanna Margaret Edwards
Morgan Whitney Esarey
Anna Catherine George
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Kelly Tsao
Michael David Walker
Adam Hunter Wells
Sophia Margarette Wilttrout
Isaac Gabriel Young
Michael Thomas Zuch

Connecting Arts Through Service (CATS) Cords

Jessica Megan Angus
Jessie Caitlyn Barnett
Haley Allison Durham
Anna Alise Garrett
Sarah Boyce Gladden
Aubrey Grace Knight
Anne Elizabeth Kunkle
Anna Rose Lauria
Caleb Johnson Lewis
Rebecca Rose Grosser Merriman
Da'Shawn Kahili Mosley
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Joseph Tan
Sophia Margarette Wilttrout
Michael Thomas Zuch



creative writing

Over the course of their careers at the Governor's School, members of the class of 2012 won 37 Region-at-Large Gold Key Awards and 14 National Citations from the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, including a \$10,000 portfolio prize. Their class also includes a record five national finalists in the YoungArts competition (sponsored by the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts) and a pair of U.S. Presidential Scholars in the Arts (two of twenty in the country).

Maya Bradford

2012

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Key, Writing Portfolio, Personal Essay/Memoir, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Personal Essay/Memoir
Honorable Mention (short story), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (\$250)

2011

Finalist, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 1st Place, Nonfiction
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Poetry

Boyce Gladden

2012

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Poetry, Personal Essay/Memoir (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Key, Personal Essay/Memoir (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Short Story

2011

Honorable Mention, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)
Honorable Mention, Leonard L. Milberg Princeton Poetry Prize
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 2nd Place, Nonfiction



Kamry Goodwin

2012

2012 U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Writing Portfolio, Poetry (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Poetry
National Finalist (short story), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts
First Place, Poetry, Bennington College Young Writers Competition

2011

Honorable Mention, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)



Aubrey Knight

2012

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal with Distinction, Writing Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Writing Portfolio, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Personal Essay/Memoir, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Personal Essay/Memoir

2011

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story

Leah Lierz**2012**

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Writing Portfolio (\$10,000)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Writing Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Short Story

2011

Finalist & Honorable Mention, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)

Da'Shawn Mosley**2012**

2012 U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Humor, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mentions, Personal Essay/Memoir, Writing Portfolio
National Finalist (creative nonfiction), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation
for Advancement in the Arts (\$5,000 award)
Honorable Mention (poetry), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (\$250)

2011

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry

Emily Nason**2012**

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards Novel Competition, National Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Poetry, Short Story, Humor (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Poetry, Humor (2), Short Story (5)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Humor
National Semifinalist, 2012 U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts
National Finalist (poetry), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (\$5,000 award)
Honorable Mention (creative nonfiction), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation
for Advancement in the Arts (\$250)
Merit Award (fiction), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts
2nd Place (Fiction) & Honorable Mention (Creative Nonfiction), Columbia College
Chicago Young Authors Competition

2011

Runner-Up, Patricia Grodd Poetry Prize (Poem published in *Kenyon Review*)
Runner-Up, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University/Poem to be published in *Cargoes*)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Nonfiction

Quincy Pierce**2012**

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal, Humor
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Humor
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Poetry, Personal Essay/Memoir (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Writing Portfolio
Merit Award, YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts

2011

Finalist, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story

Anna Pittman**2012**

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Personal Essay/Memoir, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Personal Essay/Memoir (2)
First Place, Nonfiction, Bennington College Young Writers Competition (\$500)
Finalist, World Poetry Movement's Bill Murray Fan Poem Contest

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dance

Over the course of their careers at the Governor's School, dance students have the opportunity to utilize their training in classical ballet and contemporary dance in the Youth America Grand Prix competition, the world's largest student ballet scholarship competition.

Through highly competitive auditions, dance students have won admission and scholarship opportunities from dance companies and collegiate programs around the country, including:

Alvin Ailey School of American Dance Theatre
American Musical and Dramatic Academy
Ballet West
Bolshoi Academy Exchange Program
Boston Conservatory
Dominican University (Lines Ballet)
Dutch National Ballet
Florida State University BFA Program
Joffrey Ballet
Houston Ballet
Kirov Academy
Nevada Ballet
North Carolina Dance Theatre
Oklahoma City University VFA Program
Orlando Ballet
Pittsburg Ballet
Point Park University Dance Program
SUNY Purchase BFA Program
University of the Arts
University of South Carolina BFA Program

This year, dance students were awarded many scholarships for both artistic and academic performance. Following is a list of institutions offering scholarships to dance students and the schools they have chosen to attend:

Lauren Craine

Greenville Music Club, Texas Christian University, College of Charleston, University of Georgia, and Wofford College. Attending University of Georgia.

Jazmine Daniel

Coker College, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, University of South Carolina. Attending University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

Sarah McCain Grant

Life Scholarship, Clemson University, College of Charleston, Indiana University, North Carolina State University, University of Georgia, The George Washington University. Attending North Carolina State University.

Lena Jake

Arcadia University, College of Charleston, Montclair University. Attending Arcadia University.

Caroline Lancaster

Life Scholarship, Clemson University, Furman University. Attending Furman University.

Hannah Long

Attending University of Mississippi.

Anna Lauria

Barnard University, College of Charleston, Colorado College, Emory University, Indiana University, Scripps University, Tulane University. Undecided.

Candace Martin

Marymount-Manhattan College, University of South Carolina. Attending Marymount-Manhattan College.

Jessica Mangum

Concordia University, University of South Carolina-Beaufort. Attending University of South Carolina-Beaufort.

Cam Melton

University of North Carolina-Greensboro, University of South Carolina, University of the Arts. Attending University of the Arts.

Matt Osborne

Coker College, Winthrop University. Attending Coker College.

Celeste Pompeii

College of Charleston, Clemson University, University of South Carolina. Attending University of South Carolina.

Hannah Schmucker

College of Charleston, Converse College, University of South Carolina, Winthrop University. Attending Winthrop University.



drama



In Drama, we are committed to the overall development of the individual student. Achievement comes in the form of artistic breakthroughs, academic scholarship, and the steady, almost imperceptible deepening of the actors' understanding of the art within them. The artist as citizen is a central part of our teaching, and we make every effort to reach out to our community and share our work. This year, Studio 4 seniors presented three plays with rich social significance: *"Master Harold"...and the Boys* by South African playwright Athol Fugard, *Doubt*, by John Patrick Shanley, and Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Each of these productions was offered to our community free of charge, and most performances were filled to capacity. We also partnered with our Enrollment and Outreach Department to present each play to area middle and high schools in special Friday Theatre for Young Audience performances. These performances were followed by talk-back discussions with our student actors and the production team.

In another community effort, the entire Drama Department participated in the Susan Komen Race for the Cure 5K for the fifth consecutive year. Our team, The East Bumble Tech Fighting Cannoli's, was one of the largest and certainly the loudest in the event, and every actor finished the 5k run to combat breast cancer. Some seniors took as much as ten minutes off of last year's times. We were a strong part of the Upstate Komen chapter's bar-setting fundraising efforts.

In February, nine of our twelve Drama seniors journeyed to the Unified Theatre Auditions in Chicago to compete for coveted spots in the nation's finest conservatory and university theatre programs. This year turned out to be the most competitive on record. Yet, of the nine actors we took to Chicago, every single one was awarded a merit scholarship to one of the top theatre schools in the country. Students were heavily recruited by the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Carnegie Mellon University, Rutgers' Mason Gross School of the Arts, the Guthrie Theatre Professional Actor Training Pro-

gram, Southern Methodist University's Meadows School of the Arts, the University of Utah, Cal Arts, The University of Michigan, Fordham, and Montclair State University. Two more students were accepted to the famed Juilliard Drama Division, becoming the ninth and tenth SCGSAH Drama actors to be so honored since 2003 and making our department the nation's leader in this distinction. For the students choosing a Liberal Arts education beyond SCGSAH, there were acceptances and scholarship offers to Vassar, Fordham, Georgetown, Sarah Lawrence, and USC Honors College.

For the second year in a row a Drama senior was selected as finalist by the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts as part of their YoungArts competition. The competition is the most respected of its kind in America, and out of nearly 2000 Theatre auditions a mere 20 are invited to Arts Week in Miami, where they take classes from master teachers and compete for scholarships. On the strength of his monologues from *The Dutchman* and *The Comedy of Errors*, Wonza Johnson became the third Drama student to receive this honor, along with Nicole Beharie (2003) and Jessica Miller (2011). Wonza was one of the silver medalists that week in Miami, and won a scholarship of \$5000. Following the competition, he was nominated as a Presidential Scholar in the Arts and achieved semi-finalist status.

Below are highlights of the scholarships earned by the twelve students of the graduating Drama class.

Daniel Davila

Coastal Carolina Theatre Performance Award, Montclair State Artistic Scholarship, Pace University Incentive Award. Attending Montclair State University, majoring in Theatre.

Sasha Davis

Meadows School of the Arts Scholar, SMU Opportunity Award, Oglethorpe University Presidential Scholar. Attending Southern Methodist University's Meadows School of the Arts, majoring in Theatre.

Quintarius Jackson

University of North Carolina School of the Arts Acting Scholarship, Cal Arts Artistic Merit Scholarship. Attending the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, majoring in Drama.

Jasminn Johnson

Juilliard Drama Division Artistic Merit Award, Fordham University Artistic Merit Award. Attending The Juilliard School, majoring in Drama.

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music



All State Band

Kedrick Armstrong
Norman Davis
Morgan Esarey
Brian Kinzie
Anne Kunkle
Kadeem Sabari
Michael Zuch

All State Jazz Band

Kadeem Sabari

All State Choir

Joseph Tan

All State Orchestra

Kadeem Sabari

Region Band

Glennetta Burrell
Ashley Cannone
Vance Deatherage
Brian Kinzie
Rachel Lambert
Morgan Esarey
Anne Kunkle

South Carolina Youth Wind Symphony

Kedrick Armstrong
Kadeem Sabari

American High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall

Kedrick Armstrong

Carolina Youth Symphony Concerto Competition

Daniel Maltz, Third Place

Clemson University Concerto/Aria Young Artist Competition

Grayson Mills, Finalist

Music Teachers National Association Solo Competitions: State Level

Hannah Dara, Honorable Mention
Stephen Jones, Participant
Douglas Temples, Participant

Classical Singer Competition: National Level

Grayson Mills, Third Place

National Association for Teachers of Singing: State Competition

Jessie Barnett,
First Place, Classical
First Place, Musical Theater
Taryn Wetherington,
First Place, Classical
Grayson Mills,
First Place Musical Theater
First Place, Classical
Adam Wells,
First Place, Classical
First Place, Musical Theater
Alexander Mason, Regional
Finalist, Musical Theater
Regional Finalist, Classical
Jonathan Jackson, Regional
Finalist, Musical Theater

Young Arts

Jessie Barnett,
Merit Award Winner in
Classical Voice

Schmidt Youth Vocal Competition

Alexander Mason, Second Place

National Federation of Music Clubs at Converse College 2011

Joseph Tan, Superior Rating
in Musical Theater

University of South Carolina Summer Conservatory

Anne Kunkle
Michael Zuch

Csehy Summer School of Music

Michael Zuch

Sewanee Summer Music Festival

Douglas Temples

National Symphony Orchestra Summer Music Institute

Hannah Dara

Interlochen Arts Academy Emerson Scholarship

Hannah Dara

Brevard Music Center

Kedrick Armstrong
Norman Davis
Grace Odell
Derek Priester

Vocal Arts Summer Program at DePauw University

Kristen Murdaugh

Juilliard in Aiken Master Classes

Jessie Barnett
Alexander Mason
Grayson Mills
Kristen Murdaugh
Grace Odell
Adam Wells
Taryn Wetherington

Liszt Fest, Brevard Philharmonic Orchestra

Grace Odell

S.C. Music Educators' Association Memorial Scholarship

Hannah Dara

Greenville Music Club Vocal Scholarship

Jessie Barnett
Alexander Mason
Grayson Mills

Crescent Music Club Scholarship

Grayson Mills

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visual arts

There are several significant competitions that we participate in each year which distinguish our program regionally and nationally. They are **The Scholastic Art Awards**, which is a national competition with the highest level of participation from around the country, the **Greenville Tech Upstate High School Art Exhibition**, a very competitive regional competition, and **The Picasso Project**, a state-wide art contest to benefit The Children's Trust of South Carolina. One notable aspect of our curriculum is that we enter these competitions as an integral part of the course work, rather than as an objective on their own, and we are always proud of the success of our students.

Scholastic Art Awards 2012

Libby Davis, Printmaking, Gold Key
Libby Davis, Sculpture, Certificate of Merit
Logan Helmers, Jewelry, Certificate of Merit
Logan Helmers, Sculpture, Certificate of Merit
Mary Catherine. Pflug, Design: Silver Key
Mary Catherine. Pflug, Sculpture, Certificate of Merit
Virginia Seymour, Sculpture, Certificate of Merit
Lee Stevens, Sculpture, Certificate of Merit
Kelly Tsao, Printmaking, American Vision Medal
Kelly Tsao, Sculpture Gold Key
Michael Walker, Photography, Certificate of Merit

SC Department of Natural Resources Reel Art Awards

Eleeza Tourigny, 3rd Place, Grades 10-12

The Picasso Project - 2012 Region 1

Libby Davis, 1st Place
Suzanna Edwards, 2nd Place
Lee Stevens, 3rd Place
Macy Ruple, 3rd Place Photography
Michael Walker, 2nd Place Photography

The Picasso Project – 2012 Statewide Awards

Libby Davis, 1st Place
Michael Walker, 1st Place Photography

Converse College

2012 Young Women in Art Competition

Suzanna Edwards, 1st Place, Painting
Alisha Gaillard, 1st Place, Printmaking
Logan Helmers, 1st Place, Sculpture
Ella Bergdoll-Oberhammer, 2nd Place, Photography

The 22nd Annual Upstate High School Art Competition

Caroline Absher, 1st Place, Painting
Haley Durham, 3rd Place, Metals/Jewelry
Logan Helmers, Honorable Mention, Metals/Jewelry
Charis Jackson-Barrios, 3rd Place, Illustration
Siovean Lehner, 1st Place, Computer Animation
Daniel Ruroede, 1st Place, Printmaking
Daniel Ruroede, Honorable Mention, Ceramics
Virginia Seymour, Honorable Mention, 3D/Sculpture
Virginia Seymour, 2nd Place, Metals/Jewelry
Michael Walker, 1st Place, Design & Color
Al Owens, Honorable Mention, Ceramics

South Carolina Schools

Photography Competition 2012

Caroline Absher
Selene Means
Abbey Vidal

Jeanet Dreskin Scholarship Award

Micheal Walker

Lipscomb Family Foundation Award

Lee Stevens

Chevalier Jackson Tucker Award

Macy Ruple

Visual Arts Purchase Award

Libby Davis



Spotlighting alums

Kelly Anderson (Music, 2001) received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the GSA Foundation for her work as a professional musician in the rock band Those Darlin's and for her commitment to service. Kelly founded and remains actively involved in a non-profit organization called YEAH, Youth Empowerment Through Arts and Humanities.

Michelle Beck (Drama, 2001) performed in a highly-acclaimed production of Shakespeare's *Love's Labor's Lost* at the New York Shakespeare Festival and in *The Aeneid* at the Red Bull Theatre (NYC).

Lauren Cox (Visual Arts, 2001) is assistant conservator of paintings for the Balboa Art Conservation Center. She earned her M.S. from the Winterthur/University of Delaware Program in Art Conservation. She is also a post-graduate fellowship at the Straus Center for Conservation at Harvard Art Museum and an intern at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum.

Mikal Evans (Drama, 2001) played Sarah Palin's personal assistant in the HBO film, *Game Change*, with Juliann Moore, Ed Harris, and Woody Harrelson.

Vincent Mao (Music, 2001) completed his PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering in 2010 from Duke University. He is an assistant professor at SC State University, and remains active in arts.

Merideth Hite (Music, 2002) is pursuing a DMA degree as a CV Starr Fellow of The Juilliard School after obtaining her MM degree from Yale University School of Music. She was named a Fulbright Scholar in Baroque and Modern Oboe, attending the Trossingen Musikhochschule in Germany.

Osamu Kobayashi (Visual Arts, 2002) received a BFA degree from Maryland Institute College of Art-Baltimore. He exhibits in New York. His first solo exhibit will be at AplusB Contemporary Art in Brescia Italy this summer.

Patina Miller (Drama, 2002) left the musical *Sister Act* after four years playing the lead role in London's West End and on Broadway where she received Laurence Olivier and Tony Award nominations. Her next performance will be in *First You Dream: The Music of Kander and Ebb* at the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

James Tribble (Visual Arts, 2002), recipient of last year's Distinguished Alumni Award from the GSA Foundation, recently traveled across the US with his wife, Tracey Mancenido, highlighting American truck drivers through photography. Their work has been exhibited and published nationally and internationally.

Robert Young (Music, 2002) completed his DMA degree from the University of Michigan. He was appointed as an assistant professor at Wichita State University and maintains an active career as a soloist and guest artist with orchestras throughout the country.

Nicole Beharie (Drama, 2003) was featured in the film *Shame* alongside Michael Fassbender, as well as films *My Last Day Without You*, and *The Last Fall*. This season's television credits include *Law and Order: Special Victims Unit*, and *The Good Wife*. Nicole will film 42 with Harrison Ford, the story of Jackie Robinson's entry into major league baseball. Nicole will play Mr. Robinson's wife.

Zach Dellinger (Music, 2003) graduated from the Eastman School of Music and the Colburn School. He records regularly for television and movies and has been a featured performer on the American Music Awards and the FOX series *Glee*. Zach is Community Programs Coordinator for the Street Symphony, a

non-profit classical music ensemble working with impoverished communities in southern California.

Caleb Vaughn-Jones (Music, 2003) received degrees in cello performance from the Peabody Conservatory and Lynn University. He recently served as artist-in-residence at the Eastern Cape Philharmonic Orchestra in South Africa as part of a Sphinx Foundation project. Caleb was also featured artist on the Civilization V game soundtrack. He is a former recipient of the GSA Foundation's Distinguished Alumni Award.

Travis Ballenger (Drama, 2004) assistant-produced the Broadway play *The Mountaintop*, starring Angela Bassett and Samuel L. Jackson, and new plays at the Classical Theatre of Harlem and the Tectonic Theatre Project. He won a Mellon Foundation fellowship and is currently working with Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Lynn Nottage on a project about poverty in America.

Gray Davis (Dance, 2004) rose to prominence after success at the Youth America Grand Prix national competition while still a student. He joined American Ballet Theater's Studio Company and was named to their corps de ballet in December 2007. His repertory with the company includes the Spanish Dance in *The Nutcracker* and roles in *Baker's Dizen*, *Black Tuesday*, *Continuo*, and *From Here On Out*, as well as in their full-length productions.

Trey Gerrald (Drama, 2004) acted in the NBC pilot *Next Caller* with Dane Cook and Jeffrey Tambor and was assistant stage manager for the national tour of *Billy Elliot*. Trey served as assistant to Cameron Mackintosh's directing team for the 25th Anniversary tour of *Les Miserables*. He also managed national tours of *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Drowsy Chaperone*.

Whitney Huell (Dance, 2004) graduated from Indiana University with degrees in ballet and psychology. She is currently an artist with Ballet West in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was featured in *Dance* magazine last year as one of "Twenty-Five to Watch" in the dance profession nationally.

Teyonah Parris (Drama, 2005) played a recurring role on the Emmy-winning television series *Mad Men* and can be seen as the perfect girlfriend in a national McDonald's commercial.

Justin Beltz (Creative Writing, 2006) graduated from the University of Southern California with a BFA in Screenwriting at the School of Cinematic Arts. He edited the anthology, *The Best Teen Writing of 2007*, through the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers and works as a literary agent with the Nicholas Ellison Agency in NYC.

Patrick Schmeckpeper (Music, 2006) graduated from the University of South Carolina, enlisted in the SC Army National Guard, and was deployed to Afghanistan. He is currently pursuing a law degree from the University of South Carolina.

Prentiss Standridge (Drama, 2006) played Ismene in Seamus Heaney's *The Burial at Thebes* at the famed Guthrie Theatre.

Liza Bennett (Drama, 2006) was seen in the CBS television series *Common Law*.

Erin Weeks (Creative Writing, 2007) has undergraduate degrees in English and Ecology from USC. She has worked on environmental projects in Washington, DC and Chapel Hill, NC. She was recently offered graduate fellowships in prestigious science writing graduate programs at both Johns Hopkins and MIT.

Allen Butt (Creative Writing, 2008) graduated from Presbyterian College with a double major in English and German. He is editor of *O'clock*, a Brooklyn-based poetry press. He will be traveling to Germany to teach English on a Fulbright Scholarship.

Gregory Taylor (Dance, 2011) is a company member at North Carolina Dance Theatre. This summer he will travel to Chautauqua, NY on tour. In 2011, Gregory won 1st place in Classical and Contemporary at Youth America Grand Prix Regionals.

Victoria Ford (Creative Writing, 2011) was featured on "The O Wow! List: 15 Dreamers, Thinkers, and Doers for 2011" in *Oprah Magazine*. She currently attends the University of Pennsylvania.

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Anna Pittman, 2011

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Poetry
Finalist & Honorable Mention, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Honorable Mention, Leonard L. Milberg Princeton Poetry Prize
Selected to attend Princeton University Creative Arts & Humanities Symposium

Ryan Radtke

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Poetry

Sarah Rhu 2012

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, "Best In Grade" Personal Essay/Memoir (\$500)
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, American Voices Medal, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Writing Portfolio
National Semifinalist, U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts
National Finalist (poetry), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (\$5,000 award)
Honorable Mention (creative nonfiction), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation
for Advancement in the Arts (\$250)

2011

1st Place, Leonard L. Milberg Princeton Poetry Prize (\$500)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story

Sophia Wiltout 2012

Scholastic Writing Awards Novel Competition, National Gold Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Keys, Poetry, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Silver Keys, Writing Portfolio, Humor, Poetry (2)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Honorable Mention, Humor
National Finalist (creative nonfiction), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts \$?)
Honorable Mention (poetry), YoungArts Competition/National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (\$250)
2nd Place and Honorable Mention (Creative Nonfiction), Columbia College Chicago Young Authors Competition

2011

3rd Place, Leonard L. Milberg Princeton Poetry Prize (\$100)
Finalist & Honorable Mention, Nancy Thorp Poetry Prize (Hollins University)
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition: Honorable Mention Poetry

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Fountain Inn Music Club Scholarship Hannah Dara

Berea College Pinnacle Scholar of Excellence Award in Music Joseph Tan

Elective Solo Recitalists Daniel Maltz Lexi Mathis Grade Odell Derek Priester

Senior Showcase Winners 2012 Kedrick Armstrong • Jessie Barnett Norman Davis • Hannah Dara

Stephen Jones • Anne Kunkle
Alex Mason • Grayson Mills
Josephine Moe • Grace Odell
Douglas Temples • Adam Wells
Taryn Wetherington • Michael Zuch

Piccolo Spoleto "Rising Star Series" Grace Odell Kyle Schober Josephine Moe Derek Priester Hannah Dara Stephen Jones

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Wonza Johnson

Juilliard Alumni Arts Scholarship, Carnegie Mellon University Artistic Merit Award, University of North Carolina Keenan Excellence Arts Award (full scholarship), Michigan University Arts Merit Grant. Attending The University of Michigan, majoring in Musical Theatre.

Riley Ketcham

Fordham University Artistic Merit Award, Winthrop University Academic Merit Award. Attending Winthrop University, majoring in Theatre.

Caleb Lewis

Attending Georgetown University, double-majoring in Government and Theatre.

Lauren Osborne

Fordham University Theatre Scholarship, University of North Carolina Acting Scholarship. Attending Fordham University, majoring in Theatre.

Grace Ann Roberts

Fordham University Theatre Scholarship, Presidential

Scholar at Oglethorpe University, Helen Hayes Theatre Scholar, and Capstone Scholar at the University of South Carolina. Attending the University of South Carolina Honors College, majoring in Theatre.

Brock Robinson

National Merit Scholar Finalist, Presidential Scholar and Grinnell Scholar at Sarah Lawrence College, Hampshire College Presidential Scholar. Attending Sarah Lawrence College, majoring in Theatre and/or Art History.

Aran Savory

National Merit Scholar Finalist, Full Academic/Arts Scholarship to Fordham University, Presidential Scholar at Sarah Lawrence. Attending Vassar, majoring in Theatre.

Isaac Young

Southern Methodist University Arts and Academic Merit Scholarships, Otterbein Arts and Academic Scholarships. Attending Southern Methodist University's Meadows School of the Arts, majoring in Theatre.

Congratulations



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